

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| Applicant(s): | McPherson     |  |
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**AMENDMENT A UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed January 10, 2006, please consider the following remarks in the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.